James Tooker Ford
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May 3d 1933

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson D.D.
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia ,Penn.

My dear doctor Robinson:

Enclosed is a copy of a Memorial which I am to present to the General Assembly,U.S.A. at its next meeting at Columbus ,Ohio.

I would appreciate your kindness if you would take time to read it;and if you approve of its idea,to make an editorial comment;not perhaps on the Memorial,but on the subject itself,as to whether or not the time has arrived for the Church to produce and distribute and show its own strictly religious and moral,Biblical films.

If this meets your approval,would you kindly so time your editorial as to reach the eye of the delegates before they meet? also would you mail me a marked copy.

I would thank you very much;

James Tooker Ford.

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At the office
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Dear "Big Preacher":

I am ashamed of myself because I should have written a long while ago. I did gain 5 lbs. while up in the Poconos but have lost 2 since I came home. I had an infected sinus the end of September and it was painful and I was glad to have 5 lbs. as a reserve because I needed it. Feel better but ears feel queer. That is enough of my aches and pains.

We are all sorry that you have been ill and do not get your strength back quickly, but you will get stronger each day and to think you are going to preach again, why that is wonderful!

Northminster is going throughw or is continuing its way into more debt. I cannot understand Dr. Mackie, as the leader, not willing to reduce his own salary. He is supposed to give back to the church $1,000. (his salary is $6,000) but he is back in payment. You know my brother Henry was made Chairman of the Finance Committee, the collections and everything taken away from the church office. Henry made up his own system and is getting along all right with the exceptions of Anna Dillon and Dr. Mackie who continually bother him. The collections on Sundays do not warrant the amount of his salary. I do hope they will not get into too much debt.

Walter Maxwell (my brother- in-law) has been in Presbyterian Hospital for six weeks. First time he has been ill, and so much wrong with him that they hold out very little chance of recovery. Of course he doesn't know it, but he has germs in the blood stream, besides four or five gall stones and two ulcers. He has lost 40 lbs. but with so much vitality he may hold out for quite a time. Tough on Bessie with no big help coming in. Ethel doesn't get much of a salary, Ayres is in the

Navy, and has been home on a month's furlough, and gives what he can, which helps a lot and Harry, her eldest boy has been in and out of work for three years. Bessie stands it bravelyand really when you go to see Walter and listen to what he is going to do when he gets out of the hospital, why you can hardly face him, because even last night (Sunday) the Doctor was talking to Bessie, and said that he was steadily going down hill even though he still clings to hope and health.

I would love to see and talk to you, so much about Northminster. Horace Hill is a strong fundamentalist while of course Dr. Mackie a Modernist and now Dr. Mackie is getting more and more to despise Horace. He called him a "skunk" yesterday while shooting off to Henry. Henry was putting the collections in the bag to be put in the safe when Dr. Mackie entered. Dr. Mackie said - Henry! and Henry said he will never forget the look on his face, perfectly white with anger and then he started on Henry about not getting his money, he would get it, etc. he owes the church $166. besides $100. towards Miss Wells Fund, Henry didn't even mentioned this to him, because he didn't have a chance. Finally said he could get his money, and he wouldn't leave the church, and Henry said How? and Dr. M. replied by getting something on the church property. I did not understand it and Henry was so taken back by a minister who had just finished preach- a splendid sermon, and ~~w~~ then talking like that. I do not know how it is going to turn out, but "Prec" says he will not stay in a church where there is friction. He has too much of that six days of the week. Something will have to be done shortly. This church news is just for you, but do not mention it to any other Northminsterite. Even the loss of Horace hasn't softened the greed for money and still talking about his losses (who hasn't had losses and had to make the best of it) They tell me out at Sharon Hill where Dr. Mackie's brother is, they are going thru the same thing.

Plenty of love to "Bunny" and yourself, and write me about our church problems, and how do you think they will come out? Affectionately,

Winifred

George L. Eastman
1103 Title Guarantee Bldg.
Los Angeles, Calif.
1111 No. Highland Ave.

Dear Dr. Robinson,

I cannot tell you what a pleasure it was to me to return to my office yesterday and find a letter from you.

I am your George Eastman and remember with such a great deal of pleasure the times we had in the Presbyterian Church in Potsdam and I remember very well indeed the group of boys and the picture to which you refer.

This year was my first one in the Assembly as I have only been an Elder for one year and I enjoyed very much indeed the experience. I had the pleasure of seeing your son Stewart at Cleveland and had hoped to see him later and have the opportunity of a real talk with him but that did not seem to present itself.

The older I grow the more I have come to realize that spiritual values are the only ones that amount to much and I have during the past year and a half come to a definite realization that the aims and ambitions of the average man whether he is in our church or not, must be radically changed if the world is going to permanently find any answer to the depression and the conditions which bring it about.

I am convinced that we have been starting at the wrong end of things in assuming that through the League of Nations, disarmament conferences, economic conferences and the like, that we can establish confidence and understanding between nations when there is so little basis for that confidence and understanding between individuals. Character must be rebuilt and we cannot do it by any other method than bringing men into such a vital relationship with their God that their human relationships will be on an entirely new basis.

I have heard of you many times during the past years and it certainly is a pleasure to hear directly, and my family, all of whom know you through my description, and my sister, Margaret who also lives here in Hollywood with her husband, join me in love and kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Geo. L. Eastman

June 21
1934

Cuyler, N.Y.

The Rev. Cortland Robinson, D.D.,
Delhi, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Robinson:—

I was in Delhi yesterday afternoon attending the funeral of Mr. Clark's wife & tell you how very much I was impressed by your address. It was a very touching address,— & the manner of its delivery impressed me. However, what you said touched me as I am not often touched. There was a lesson in what you said about the character of Mr. Clark, and as I took one of those flowers yesterday I took something away which I think will be long remembered.

I am shocked by the number of fatal accidents which take place. The death of Mr. Clark seems to me like the nature of a Calamity. It seems impossible & unnecessary. It is nothing short of a regrettable Calamity.

But that is neither here nor there. I do not understand these things. But this note is simply a word of sincere appreciation of what was to me a touching & affecting service. I thought that perhaps you would mind my saying so.

Thanking you, I am

Yrs Very Faithfully

G. A. Forbes

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10-16-33

My dear Dr. Robinson:-

Thank you for the suggestions you have given us as desirable candidates. We have them listed for consideration.

By the way, some of the members of our Committee have heard Patterson, of Ossining, N. Y. but there seems to be some doubt as to his soundness. We don't want anyone in our pulpit unless he is absolutely true to the Word.

Can you advise me or suggest some one who knows him and his work and whose recommendation can be relied upon.

Assuring you that all information will be kept confidential, and thanking

you for your assistance in
this difficult task.

Sam

Sincerely yours
Horace L. Fenton

First Presbyterian Church of Olney

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Nov. 11, 1933.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson,
Delhi, N.Y.

Dear Sr. Robinson:

It has been my sad duty many times to attend the funeral obsequies of friends and I have listened to many eulogies, but I want you to know how deeply impressed I was Wednesday when the last words were said for our dear and mutual friend, John Clarke. In fact, I seemed to be gripped to the limit during the course of your tribute. Were it not a funeral occasion, I would congratulate you most highly but that might be bad taste.

Hoping you may be spared for many years to say such kind words as our friends leave us, believe me, with warm personal regard,

Sincerely yours,

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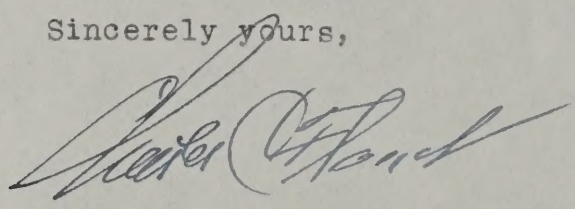

4521 Sansom St.
June 28th, 1933

Dear "Big Preacher"

No use writing unless I have a lot to tell you, don't you think? Have you heard that Mr. Henry Rife is in the Graduate Hospital, 19th and Lombard Sts. seriously ill? His heart went back on him and also started with hiccoughs and yesterday his son John gave blood for a transfusion. Then, our soprano's husband, Mr. Clyde Bower, is in the same hospital, having fallen from a steeple of a church I believe, and how he lives is a miracle. Broken both arms, pelvic bone, brain concussion, one ~~xx~~ eye out, side of face caved in, and yet he regains consciousness every once in a while. Mrs. Bower is very brave, and I know Mrs. Rife is too. Your wonderful letters would help both these women. Do you remember the young widow you met at our house, Mrs. Dimm - well her father is in the Hahnemann Hospital, having had two operations for the prostate gland (that is the same as Mr. Rife, although I think the second operation hasn't taken place as yet) but Mr. McKinney, Mrs. Dimm Tempest's father will recover, everything seems to be in his favor.

At our own home, Erne is doing as well as he can. He has an excellent colored woman, who stays all day, and Mother Freas takes care of the darning and mending and every other Sunday they come to our house for dinner. Mother Freas was taken ill with an indigestion attack, but is better now.

Katherine's husband, "Ed", to me seems just the same. The tests they took of him were all negative so they tell us. Whether Katherine is keeping something back from us all, we do not know, but if she is, she is a brick because she is always cheerful.

Dorothy's husband is doing a ~~better~~ lot better along working lines. Mother is as well as one can be during hot weather and with a lot of humidity. "Prec" complains of pain on the left side, I do not know just what it can be, but he is going to the Doctor to-morrow. I hope "Bunny" and yourself are well, and with a heap of love from us, I am, Sincerely,

Winifred

Rev. C. Frederic Fraser,
298 Main Street,
Oneonta, New York.

July 28, 1933.

Dear Dr Robinson,

At a meeting of the Session last evening, I took the first steps necessary for the matter of the resignation. The congregational meeting is called for Monday, August 7 at 7:30, and the Session and Pastor unite in asking that you be Moderator of the meeting. I trust that you will be able to do so.

In regards to the meeting of Presbytery, it was our judgment that the congregational meeting rather than the Session or Pastor should ask Presbytery to meet in special Session to consider the matter. Of course it is more or less a matter of technicality, but we felt it the wisest plan to let the Presbytery meet when it should choose, after the official action of the congregation had been taken. As the Church is to be closed for four Sundays, there is no immediate pressing need that the matter be finished within a day or two.

Thanking you for your interest in our Church, and in myself, I am,

Sincerely yours,

C. Fred Fraser

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June 2, 1933

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson, Editor,
The Presbyterian,
Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I am enclosing herewith my check for $2.00 in payment of my subscription to the Presbyterian.

I have just read the leading article in this week's issue in which you state the condition of the Presbyterian and your desire that the people support it. With this I am in fullest sympathy. I may add that the Presbyterian is the only Presbyterian church paper that I take except for the Christian Observer which I have come because it keeps me in touch with some of my boyhood friends in the Southern Church in which I was born and raised. Of the three Presbyterian papers of our Presbyterian Church I take the Presbyterian because it is the only one that does not give my mind offence at times. I can say frankly that I can see no place in the Presbyterian set-up for a paper like the Advance which strikes me as being disloyal to most of the things that one holds dear. The Banner I have never taken, the latest reason being that its format is offensive to my eye. So you see that I am writing as a friend of the Presbyterian.

I wonder if my experience yesterday might explain in part why the Presbyterian does not receive the general support of the Church as represented by subscriptions. When I found the Presbyterian in my hall I really snatched it up because I wanted a report of the General Assembly. I had been able to get nothing except the name of the Moderator from the secular press. It was with grievous disappointment that I found there was not one word by way of report of the most recent Assembly.

It seems to me that there is a place, and I do not know any reason why the Presbyterian should not fill that place for a paper which gives the news of the whole Church, giving it as news, without personal or theological coloring. The British Weekly comes to my desk each week. I note that while they have certain religious and sometimes homiletical articles, there is very little if ever anything, in the nature of controversy and as you know a large part of the paper is devoted to news of the churches and church men in all parts of the British Isles. I would not presume to say that you should not express in your editorial section whatever your personal view of a current idea may be but I do feel that the paper would get further if controversial matters were minimized in other sections of the paper. It could be contended that the paper has a policy and has a right to pursue that policy, and no one can deny this. However if it fails to reach any appreciable part of the constituency, after all it has not accomplished anything real.

You will understand that all of this is written in the friendliest way and

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Dr. Robinson - #2

because I am sincerely interested in the progress and success of the Presbyterian, The suggestion may not be worth anything and if in your opinion it is not please scrap the whole thing.

Yours cordially,

W. W. Edge

E/C

Rev. James B. Ely
R. #3, Bonmeade
Coraopolis, Pa.

June 27th. 1933

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Robinson-

We have been readers of the Presbyterian for many years and are able to recall the names of the Editors back over a period longer than I like to acknowledge. In addition to the ordinary burdens of such an enterprise you have suffer between the upper millstone of God's revealed will and the nether millstone of the Stotesbury-Prive outrage aganist the Word of God and the Federal Constitution guaranteeing freedom of Speech and right of assembly. All true christians have been made thus to suffer and bondage has thus been brought upon our land, otherwise free. Having your work in Philadelphia where this monument of living infidelity was errected and yet stands in defiance of God and all who truely love and serve the Saviour of the world, you would naturally be effected in your body. I hope the pure air of Delhi and the fresh inspiration that will come to you when made free from the "bondage" your health will return and you may again devote the very best years of your life to "The World-wide Revival" which is advancing in more than 50 lands and at a rate more extensive than accompanied the Pentecost preachers but only in a few places having like intensity. Until we reclaim America we have no reasonable grounds upon which to rest hope and faith for a real revival here which God longs to release upon the earth. Mrs. Ely joins in best wishes as she stands by the ironing board this morning. With sweet memories of our past associations and hopeful assurances of the more glorious future in "The World-wide Revival" which Jesus commands and directs I remain

Sincerely

Jas B Ely

Thurs. Apr. 20, 1933

Dear "Preacher"

Edith passed away on Tuesday. She will not suffer any more. "Prec" Ernest and I were with her to the end. An awful experience, I haven't been able to sleep since. Will bury Edith Friday afternoon 2 P.M. Rev. Shangquay (originally from Delhi) and Dr. Mackie will have the service. If you were close I would have you, because you can comfort every one. With love to "Bunny" and your own self. I am Sincerely Mrinyre

Princeton, New Jersey,
Feb. 28, 1933.

The Presbyterian Publishing Co.,
1917 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

Received the statement enclosed some time ago about my subscription expiring, but am very sorry indeed to say that, it is impossible for me to subscribe any longer because of being an Unemployed Clergyman of the Presbyterian Church.

After graduating in May 1930, I became an assistant, thus married because everything was going fine. In September of the same year we were given the opportunity to study abroad for a year. This we took advantage of, and spent thirteen months abroad, returning in October of 1931. Eversince, this date I have been unable to make connections with vacant churches, and had just SIX Sundays of supply work within my own Presbyterian Church which has reared and educated me for this high calling. All of my dreams of youth; being that some day I shall serve Him who died for the World, have crumbled down. Here I am now within my Church for sixteen months married and ready to serve, without even supply work. I never had dreams of a ten thousand dollar parish and a half dozen cars, just a little parish of about a hundred or so members, and still this cannot be realized.

Please excuse me for writing all I have written, since it may not even interest you, but my point is to show that I am in need, yes very much in need of help. If you could help me get in contact with a vacancy, altho you are not the Department of Vacancy and Supply, I would appreciate it. There are hundreds of letters of application written to the churches appearing on the list of the above mentioned Vacancy report monthly. Just a year ago I started writing to the churches appearing on the list, and have written a few hundred applications during that time. And so by now I know the contents of every letter without opening it, in answer to the vacancy appearing.

When time permits you, may I have a few suggestions from you concerning this matter of getting located?

Yours in Christ,
Wm. B. Burgess

Theological Seminary,
103 Hodge Hall,
Princeton, New Jersey.

March 2, 1933.

Rev. Wm. B. Furgess,
Box 282,
Roebling, N. J.

Dear Mr. Furgess:

We are in receipt of your letter of February 28th and are indeed sympathetic with you in your efforts to secure a field where you can preach Christ. I regret very much that THE PRESBYTERIAN does not have a department to assist ministers in getting located. However, we would be glad to insert in THE PRESBYTERIAN a small advertisement which would cost you nothing. I cannot say that this would bring any results but if you desire to do so please write out your advertisement and send it to us.

Dr. Robinson, our editor, is doing his editorial work at his home in Delhi, New York, owing to the fact that THE PRESBYTERIAN is unable to pay him his salary and he cannot afford to live in Philadelphia. Were he here it is possible he might have some suggestions to make in your case. I am sending him your letter and if he can help you in any way I feel sure he will do so.

We will be very glad indeed to continue your subscription to THE PRESBYTERIAN for another year without cost to you. We have a small "missionary" fund from which to draw to send the paper to ministers and missionaries who desire the paper but are unable to pay for it themselves.

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February 16 1933

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson. D. D.
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia. Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

Not a bad shot, you gave Buchmanism this week. But if you will get for a few cents "The Oxford Movement, Is it of God or of Satan?", through the "Approved Book Store" on Spring Garden Avenue. connec ed with the Phila School of the Bible, you will be able to give your comments a better punch. The closing page or pages of the little book (around 30¢, I think) will probably make you wish you had not expressed "full confidence" in Mr. Shoemaker.

Plainer speaking about this enemy of the Kingdom, must be used. Pussyfooting, as a lot of so called leaders are doing with the so called "Appraisal" business, is demanded, if we are to scotch this thing, which has more to hurt at its end than even ~~xxxxxxxx~~ the Mrs Eddy cult. Yes, yes, you do well to name it a "cult". Not one syllable of this for publication, remember.

Cordially

Joseph Lyons Ewing

P. S. Am informed that Hodge of Lincoln, is under the spell of it. Ditto, our own J. Ross S. As Dr. Snowden has commented in a letter to me, ~~xxx~~ "Isn't this astonishing?". It is.

A small pamphlet, "Life Changeing- "Is it Scriptural?" at above book store, is very strong also.